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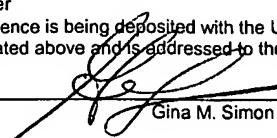
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Masahiro IWAKURA) Group Art Unit: 1652
Application No.: 10/019,409) Examiner: Rebecca E. Prouty
I.A. Filing Date: March 31, 2000)
§ 371 Filing Date: December 28, 2001)
For: SULFUR ATOM-FREE ENZYME)
PROTEIN)

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of August 27, 2003. A fee of \$420.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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